

MARION SCHOOL DISTRICT 60-3	NEPN Code: BG
SCHOOL BOARD GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS	

SCHOOL BOARD POLICY PROCESS

The School Board, representing the people of the District, is the legislative body which determines policy for the Marion School District 60-3. It is the intent of the Board to develop policies and put them in writing so that they may serve as guidelines for the Superintendent, all District employees, parents and students, in the day-today operation of the District.

Proposals regarding District policies and operations may originate at any of several sources, including but not limited to: a parent, a community member, an employee, a member of the School Board, the Superintendent, a professional consultant, or a civic group. Prior to taking proposed policy to the Board for first reading, the Superintendent will research the issues involved, seeking guidance from staff members, the School Board policy committee and the school district attorney that reviews the policies.

Action on such proposals, whatever their source, is taken finally by the School Board. The School Board shall take action on most matters upon the basis of recommendations presented to the School Board by the Superintendent. The Superintendent bases his/her recommendations upon the outcomes of study and upon the judgment of the professional staff and study committees.

ADOPTION, AMENDMENT, SUSPENSION AND REPEAL OF POLICIES

Adoption and Amendment

Policy proposals and suggested revisions of existing policies shall be submitted to all members of the School Board and to the Superintendent in writing prior to a regularly scheduled School Board meeting. Proposed policy amendments shall be discussed and acted upon in the School Board meeting. Proposed policies shall be discussed at the first School Board meeting as the first read of the policy.

The second reading and a vote for adoption shall take place at the next regularly scheduled board meeting, unless the School Board suspends its policy and extends time for input. If time is extended the School Board must set a specific date at which action will be taken.

Suspension

The operation of any section or section of these policies, not established by law, may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote of the School Board at a regular or special meeting, for which the proposed suspension has been described in writing, or upon a unanimous vote of all members of the School Board when no such written notice has been given.

Once policies are adopted or amended they will be available via the district's website, www.marion.k12.sd.us.

The School Board shall pass a motion to adopt all of the policies of the previous Board at the annual meeting.

Repeal and Withdrawal

Policies and regulations may be withdrawn or repealed by School Board action if the policy or regulation is no longer necessary due to changes in statute, or it has become obsolete, or material is covered by another policy or regulation.

APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

On the recommendation of the administration, proposed administrative regulations shall be submitted to all members of the School Board and the Superintendent in writing prior to a regularly scheduled School Board meeting where the proposed regulation or amended regulation shall be discussed. A vote for approval of the regulation shall be taken.

The School Board reserves the right to review, ask for revision and veto administrative regulations should they, in the School Board's judgment, be inconsistent with the policies adopted by the School Board.

If a policy contains provisions that are in conflict with another policy, the provisions in the policy most recently adopted or amended will govern.

LEGAL REF: SDCL 13-8-33 – Majority Action Required for Action by School Board

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